



## TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

*(Afterwards, kids age 3 through Grade 5 are welcome to go to J4J.)*

*HYMN	“Away in a Manger”	p. 217
SHARING OUR JOYS & PRAYER CONCERNS		
ANTHEM	“O Come To My Heart”	<i>Ambrose</i>
MORNING PRAYER		
RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
ANTHEM	“Christmas Praise”	Handbells
OFFERTORY PRAYER		
MESSAGE	“Mary & Joseph’s Gift: Love”	
*HYMN	“O Little Town of Bethlehem”	p. 230
*PRAYER OF BLESSING		
*POSTLUDE	“Once In Bethlehem”	<i>Schram</i>

The Christmas Poinsettias on the altar today are in loving memory of Robert S. Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Sidler, and Howard & Mildred Sidler, by Nina S. Johnson and Susan Darling.

Friendly NURSERY CARE for pre-school children is available anytime from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. It is located downstairs at the east end of the building.

We heartily welcome all visitors here this morning and hope you will return to worship with us again! Please sign the guest book by the front door.

You are invited to remain after the service and enjoy conversation with one another, at our special December Fellowship Time, hosted by Carol Mattice, downstairs in the fellowship hall.

Vacation Bible School Bake Sale, following the worship service, in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks for your support—your contributions will help us purchase the supplies we’ll need to help kids learn during next summer’s VBS! If you have questions or need more information, please contact Cindy Conboy, [faithwaltz@yahoo.com](mailto:faithwaltz@yahoo.com).

A Free Holiday Concert! Today, 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Wolcott. An Afternoon with Jeff Sawyer and guest soloists, Noah Barnes & Kelley Loveless.

Every year many beautiful poinsettias adorn the Sanctuary of the Church on Christmas Sunday and Christmas Eve. Again this year, you have the opportunity to purchase Memorial Plants for the holidays. There are order forms for **Christmas poinsettias** on the table at the bottom of the stairs in the Fellowship Hall. (So that we can have all orders processed in time, please return them to Melissa Taber by tomorrow.) Thank you.

Do you enjoy Christmas caroling? Next Sunday, December 16, 6:00-7:30 p.m., we will walk through the village singing at homes and then return to the church for cookies & hot chocolate. Kids & adults are welcome! Please bring a flashlight with you.

**FAITH HOME:** Each week we list an activity that you can enjoy as a family to help us all grow in faith. Bake & decorate “Cookie Cutter” Christmas cookies, using shapes that have spiritual meaning. Talk about the significance of these symbols as you work together.

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week: Matt & Erin, Carter Loveless; Mark & Sharon, Michael Loveless; Kelly, Brecken, Logan MacDougall.

Our annual **Angel Tree Project** has started. Tags are located in the back of the sanctuary detailing gifts to be purchased, wrapped and brought back to church. A sign-up poster is also in the back of the sanctuary to sign up for food items to be included in our giving. Very Important!!! All food items and gifts (wrapped with the gift tag attached) must be returned to church no later than **Friday, December 21**, for sorting and distributing (note this new date for the collection). Please call Lori Peck with any questions. (587-9766 or llpeck3@hotmail.com).

The sanctuary Christmas tree once again stands filled with the ornaments of our church families, past and present. If your family is not represented, we invite you to add yours to the tree anytime during the Christmas season. Simply fill out a tag from the basket below with the year and your family name & members. Then, attach the tag to your ornament and hang it on the tree. Ornaments, saved from year to year, fill our sanctuary trees with the love of our past church families as well as those of the present. (Some of the ornaments

have lost their tags; if you gave an ornament in the past, you may want to check to make sure it has a tag.)

*Bathrooms are located downstairs across from the kitchen.*

Our church web site is **<http://www.NorthRoseNYMethodist.com>**

**Today** – 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time/VBS Bake Sale  
3:00-5:00 p.m. Holiday Concert @ Wolcott Presbyterian Church  
6:00 -7:30 p.m. MS Youth Group: Washington, DC Trip  
Information Night

Monday – 9:00 a.m. Poinsettia Order Deadline  
7:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Rehearsal

Tuesday – 3:20-4:30 p.m. Jr. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday – 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday – 9:00 a.m. Jan/Feb Newsletter Deadline

Saturday – 1:00-9:00 p.m. HS Youth Group Angel Tree Shopping

Sun. Dec. 16 – Third Sunday of Advent; Jr. Choir

9:00 a.m. Hymn Handbell Rehearsal

9:15 a.m. MS & HS Youth/Adult Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship: “The Angels’ Gift: Joy” Luke 2: 8-14

J4J – Joyful for Jesus (Children’s Sunday School)

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

6:00 -7:30 p.m. All Church Christmas Caroling

(including MS Youth Group and HS Youth Group)

Mon. Dec. 17 – 7:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Rehearsal

Tues. Dec. 18 – 3:20-4:30 p.m. Jr. Choir Rehearsal

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Pastor: Rev. Dan Corretore

Pastor's Office Assistant: Melissa Taber

Praise Music: Ken & Kim Dobbin

Accompanist: Kim Dobbin

Organist: Jan McDorman

Organist Emerita: Lorraine Wilson

Greeter: June Smith

Child/Youth Support: Roxie Walker

Chancel & Bell Choir Director: Lucy Smith

Hymn Handbells & Jr. Choir Director: Lucinda Collier

Counters: June Smith & Rachel Tompkins

Custodian: Brad Caves

Church Secretary: Mary Anjo

Visiting Ministry Coordinators: Carol Agnew & Gloria Petrosino

Sound: Kirk Bailey

Projection: Gabby Bailey

Acolyte: Lannon Loveless, Joshua Searle

Nursery: Ember Hilkert

Lay Reader: Jane Milem

Head Usher: David Fremouw

Announcements: Mary Anjo

Video: Haley Taber

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A special word of thanks to Jan McDorman for making our Advent wreath,  
with the assistance of Betty Whitmore.